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Remarks/Arguments:

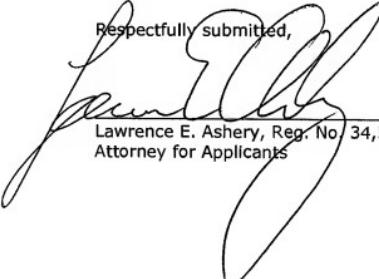
Claims 15, 17 and 22-35 are pending in the above-identified application. Claims 15, 17 and 32-35 have been allowed. Claims 1-14, 16 and 18-21 have been cancelled.

Claims 22-31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite because there is no structural relationship between the heat source and the insulator. Claims 22-31 were also rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, because the specification does not disclose a heat source as part of the insulator. Claim 22 has been amended to be more clear and to recite a "... vacuum heat insulator for use with a heat source ..."

Claim 22 has also been amended to clarify the location of the fin in Applicants' exemplary embodiment. No new matter has been added.

In view of the amendments and arguments set forth above, the above-identified application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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